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## FANWOOD

Sunday, June 5th, will linger long in the memory of the graduates and others connected with Old Fanwood. The day marked the last commencement exercises at the old site, and was full of activity from morning until night.

In the morning under the auspices of the Fanwood Alumni Association there was a bus ride to White Plains to see the new school buildings. A fleet of seven buses of the Fifth Avenue Coach Co. had been reserved to transport the some 300 people, and the long caravan of streamlined motor wagons made quite an impressive showing along the way.

The ride through the cool, picturesque countryside was greatly enjoyed, and excited anticipation was evident when the new buildings came into view from a distant hilltop. Soon the big buses were lumbering slowly along the new uneven road to the school grounds and then on to the unfinished campus.

About fifty private cars had arrived beforehand, and their occupants swelled the number of visitors to nearly five hundred.

Much admiration was expressed at the splendid appearance of the buildings, which made quite a favorable impression on the visitors who had not been there before. The unfinished condition of the grounds was to be expected, but did not detract from the beauty of the buildings. The spaciousness of the grounds was quite evident, and when the landscaping is completed in due time, the school buildings and grounds together will be the foremost in the country.

The visitors were conducted over the premises in small groups by cadet guides, while others stayed around on the campus and had a sort of reunion. Mr. and Mrs. William H. Van Tassell, the school's former steward for many years, had come in their car from nearby Yonkers, and all were glad to meet them again. Many brought their lunches, and the best available place at that time was the "grand stairway" up to the campus from the entrance road, from where they could enjoy views of a broad expanse of the surrounding Westchester hills.

It was time for the return trip too soon, and an almost impossible task to get the crowd back into their buses, until the happy expedient was tried of starting the buses on their day, to stop half a block down the road. It proved a success and some established new 100-yard dash records when they thought they were being left behind.

The route back was by way of Tarrytown and down along the Hudson River, another enjoyable ride for the balmy, sunny afternoon, to arrive at Fanwood a little after two o'clock. Unfortunately for a perfect ending, local storm clouds had gathered and just as the caravan had arrived at the school gates, the heavens opened and rain fell in torrents for the next hour or so.

The commencement exercises had already begun, but because of the sudden downpour, had to be continued in the chapel, details of which were printed last week.

Due credit should be given to Miss Alice E. Judge for the patience, tact and efficient way in which she and her committee handled the two big affairs—one in the morning and one in the evening, the combined attendance being nearly a thousand persons, and it goes without saying that the day was a most enjoyable one for them.

In the evening at six-thirty the pupils' dining room was the scene of a Farewell Dinner, under the auspices of the Alumni Association. The room was packed to capacity, and a few more tables were squeezed in, so that the total number of diners was three hundred and eighty-five. Decorations for a previous dance for the graduating class still remained and gave the room a festive air. Many of the tables had floral centerpieces of beautiful peonies and other flowers sent especially for the occasion by Mr. and Mrs. Eli Ellis of Walden, N. Y., both graduates and who were present. It was a happy gathering of former pupils, with perhaps a bit of sadness on this last gathering in the halls of their *Alma Mater*.

At a long table sat the guests of honor, who were Mr. Winthrop G. Brown of the Board of Directors, Supt. and Mrs. Skyberg, Dr. and Mrs. T. F. Fox, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Iles, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Tyrrell, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Altenderfer, Miss A. E. Berry, Miss A. Teegarden and Miss S. Scofield. Included also were Mrs. Doenges, Mrs. Brewer and Mr. W. H. Rose, who were the oldest graduates present besides Dr. Fox. After a few introductory remarks by President Renner of the Alumni, Mr. Altenderfer was invited to lead in reciting the "Grace before Meat," it being for the last time as he is retiring this summer. Then all sat down to do full justice to a most excellent menu prepared by the dietary staff under direction of Misses Swanson and Koval—in fact, banquet is a better description. Thirty white jacketed waiters, recruited from the pupils ranks, were kept busy serving the delectable viands for the next hour and half, there being a plentiful supply so that all had their fill.

At the conclusion of the dinner, it was decided that the better lighting and comfort of the chapel was more preferable for the after-dinner speeches. The large crowd then filed up stairs, many preferring to go up by the back stairways once again as they did as of old. The seats were all taken soon and the aisles had standing room only. Mr. William A. Renner, president of the Alumni Association, was toastmaster.

Superintendent Skyberg made the address of welcome, mentioning among other things, his pleasure at the display of loyalty to the school by the Alumni and hoped it would be carried on to the new location. A message of regrets from Major Francis Landon, former President of the Board of Directors, who was unable to be present, was read.

The next speaker was Mr. Winthrop G. Brown, Secretary of the Board of Directors, and whose family lineage has been long connected with the School's Board of Directors. It is hoped to have his address printed in full in a future issue.

A message from Dr. Percival Hall, President of Gallaudet College, and a former teacher at Old Fanwood, was read, regretting his inability to be present.

Another message was read from Miss Elizabeth Peet, who was born and grew up around the School, expressing regrets and that "I am greatly disappointed that I can not accept your very courteous and thoughtful invitation. It seems as though the last of the Peets ought to be at the farewell gathering at dear old Fanwood! Please give my affectionate greetings to all who remember me at the dinner. My father's old pupils are especially dear to me."

Mr. William H. Van Tassell, who was with the School for 45 years, serving in various capacities from supervisor to Acting Principal, sent the following telegram:

Dear Members:

"After considerable consideration it is advisable very much to my regret, to decline your kind invitation to attend with my fellow members the farewell dinner of the Fanwood Alumni Association at the School tonight. Will you kindly impart to those present how sorry I am that I cannot be present upon this auspicious occasion. It would have been indeed a delightful pleasure to meet my old friends, many of whom date back to my childhood days, when my revered father was an instructor and I used to come around to play with the boys. I am distressed more than I can express to miss the unusual opportunity to reminisce about the olden days as memories would recall. It is gratifying to be assured that our beloved Fanwood has not lagged behind in the procession, but on the contrary has continued to progress accordingly with its eminent and historical tradition. With the best of wishes and greatest of expectations for the future success of our grand old institution, and affectionate felicitations from Mrs. Van Tassell. I remain,

Fraternally yours,  
WILLIAM H. VAN TASSELL.

The next on the program was a short moving picture show. Listed was a fine strip of Mr. David R. Tillinghast, aged 97 years, oldest living graduate of the School at present. The film was taken in Florida a month previously and sent by Mr. Chas. C. Cory of St. Petersburg. Mr. Tillinghast looked hale and hearty, and spoke of incidents he saw at the laying of the cornerstone at the present site. Then followed scenes around the School during the past few years, including talks by Superintendents Skyberg, Gardner and Currier, the last named being a reprint of an older film. There were also pictures of the late Mr. E. A. Hodgson and Wm. G. Jones. The movies concluded, a few more reminiscent talks were given, among the speakers being Mr. W. H. Rose, president of the Alumni Association for several terms, and W. F. Durian, Class of '87. The program closed with all standing up and reciting "Auld Lang Syne," led by Mr. John N. Funk, after which there was a slow procession down the grand stairway in the rotunda. The gathering seemed reluctant to leave, but finally wended out onto the wide veranda overlooking the broad and majestic Hudson, and dispersed for home, perhaps giving the old buildings another final survey and affectionate glance of fond farewell.

## NEW YORK CITY

Mrs. Max Miller returned last week from an extended visit with her daughter in Boston, Mass.

Time passes—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Peters quietly observed their fourteenth wedding anniversary on Friday, June 10th. It seems only yesterday that the vivacious Bella Pursin walked down the aisle in her wedding gown.

Mr. Bernard Fink, father of Mrs. Abraham Miller, died on Monday, June 6th. He was 78 years old, and had been ailing for several months.

Chas. Moscovitz and family drove from Dalton, Mass., on Sunday, June 5th, to be at the Fanwood festivities. Despite an early start their car broke down, and they did not arrive till nightfall.

Mr. and Mrs. David Morrill have left the city permanently, returning to their hometown in North Carolina in the new family Ford sedan.

Mr. and Mrs. McQuade (Angelica Quartucci) of Albany, N. Y., were visitors here recently.

Miss Agnes Craig gladdened her many friends by coming to the city for a visit of several days.

## NEW YORK CITY

On Sunday, June 12th, the Union League of the Deaf had its last literary meeting until Fall, with a fair-sized attendance, on account of the warm weather, which also made it advisable to omit the movie part. The program included short stories by Messrs. W. A. Renner, S. Frankenstein and F. W. Hoppeaugh. The Romeros gave another of their amusing skits. A debate on "Is the New Deal Justified," was threshed out between John N. Funk (Aff.) and Mr. Yaccaronne (Neg.), the latter being a newcomer on the rostrum. Decision was left to popular vote, and the audience decided overwhelmingly in favor of the Affirmative, whereupon Mr. Funk magnanimously told his opponent "it was a packed house as most of them were on W.P.A. anyway." All in all, it was an enjoyable affair, the quick short numbers making a hit with the "listeners" on a very warm evening.

An 80th birthday celebration was given for Mr. Alex M. Goldfogel at the H. A. D. Community Center, on Wednesday night, June 1st. There were over one hundred people present and old friends of many years who surprised Mr. Goldfogel by their presence, some coming from out of town. Mr. Garson, president of the H. A. D. introduced Mr. Goldfogel and asked him to give the story of his life, which proved to be very interesting, especially when he explained his experiences during the great blizzard of 1888. Among the many gifts presented to him was an envelope containing cash collected from among his various friends. Later, sandwiches, ice cream and cake were served to all those present, and a pleasant evening was had by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Ellis of Walden, New York, came down to the city for the Fanwood reunion, and their many friends were glad to see them again.

President Bowdren of the Westchester Division, No. 114, N. F. S. D., was all smiles at the Fanwood field day affair. With the exodus of the staff to White Plains, he expects the membership to have a substantial increase.

Social activities at West Saugerties, New York, take on added interest for the summer with the arrival of Miss Alice E. Judge from New York City this week.

Mrs. Osmond Loew (Edna Bennett) has left New York City and moved to Larchmont, N. Y., to live with her married daughter. New York's loss of the winsome young matron is not total, as it is only 38 minutes by train to the metropolis.

John D. Shea, the dashing man about town of a decade ago, went to Denville, N. J., for a spell last week.

The one and only Johanna Mccluskey, looking as sprightly as ever, came to New York City for a few days last week. From her glorious descriptions of the Catskill beauties, quite a number have almost decided to make hotel reservations there for their vacations.

Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Romero were among the merry gathering at the Springfield (Mass.) dance recently. Among the door prize winners was George Zadra of New York, who about evened up matters as the Springfield folks had been getting most of them at our city affairs.

Friends of Mrs. Dean Tomlinson (Louise Turner) of Winnipeg, Can., are glad to hear that they are shortly coming to New York City for an extended visit.

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When the original site of Fanwood was being prepared most of the property was covered with walls of rock which had to be removed. This was done and elevation were leveled and brought into symmetry. However, a remnant of the rocky surface may still be observed to the south of the main building. The front of this building faced land sloping down to the Hudson, presenting a wild mass of woody scenery, very different from the beautiful park now being laid out by the city as a branch of Fort Washington Park. The property formed an important part of Carmansville, which had all the aspects of a village with farms, truck gardens, manors, cow paths, lanes, stone fences. The original grounds extended from the Hudson eastward to Kingsbridge Road, (now St. Nicholas Avenue); the village post office was in Fay and Newton's Grocery store on 10th (now Amsterdam) Avenue and 158th Street, while Johnson's Drug store was a block further south. As in olden times, Trinity Cemetery is at 153rd-155th Street and the same Avenue, the Methodist Church still remains at 153rd Street, but the Presbyterian Church has moved a few doors west of its old location at the corner of 155th Street and Amsterdam Avenue, while the Chapel of the Intercession is now within Trinity Cemetery, having moved thence from 158th Street and Broadway. Of the old landmarks the Jumel Mansion and Fanwood have remained, but now the need for more area space and modern buildings has made necessary the removal of the school to another site, where it will have a greater opportunity to increase its grand record as a school for the education of the deaf of New York.

LAST MONTH a meeting of the American Council of Education was held at Washington, D. C. Its membership includes nearly all of the

national and regional associations and is over 400. There was a variety of discussion upon educational topics all seeking to attain the goal of improvement in lines of educational activities.

Some of the needs of a teacher's education was suggested as being an understanding of human nature and a democratic society. The work of the future is emphasized with regard to the activities of youth, and this points to the question of teacher education with the problems of child psychology, practice teaching in-service education, the training of teachers and certification. It would seem that the profession of teaching the deaf is ahead of other systems in this direction to judge from the increasing lists which appear in the American *Annals*, and which now is near the 800 mark.

The problem of teacher training is considered as being of direct concern to the school system of the country. All problems should be studied with regard for the needs both of individuals whose growth is to be guided and to society. Teachers are expected to attain an understanding of human nature and of the nature of democratic social organization. The test of performance can only be the extent to which pupils who are taught by these teachers meet the problems of life satisfactorily to themselves and with advantage to the commonwealth.

It was evident from the trend of the discussions that the effectiveness of the motion picture was appreciated by business long before it was recognized by educational authorities. The extent of this effectiveness in meeting the objectives of education is shown by the results of the films proves whether they are good or bad. If films are evaluated through expert judgment, the problem solves itself, since every individual has a way of judging which enables him to determine that such and such a picture would prove useful in a particular graduate exercises. So long as teachers and school systems are unaware of the objectives for which they are teaching, just so long will it be difficult to judge a film by its results in terms of the objective for which it is shown.

IN THE preparation and arrangements for the Alumni Association's participation in the closing day at Fanwood, including the most brilliantly arranged dinner and its accompanying program, Mr. William A. Renner, President of the Association, and Miss Alice E. Judge, Secretary, deserve unstinted praise and credit for a most enjoyable affair—the gathering of former pupils, bus trip to White Plains and the dinner in the evening. As usual Superintendent Skyberg gave generous assistance in affording opportunity for open house and many other courtesies.

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## OMAHA

John M. Chowins died at his home in Lincoln, Sunday morning, May 29th. He had been ill for several months. He was for 51 years chief mechanic in the physics department at the University of Nebraska, and was well known to several generations of students and faculty members, and, at 78, was the oldest employee in point of service. He began his career as a janitor and all around handy man in the physics department. He made many tools and apparatus during his long career. He also made many devices for the psychology, mathematics and highway testing departments. His last important work was on the new reflector telescope in the observatory on the campus. He and his deaf brother came from England over fifty years ago. He lost his hearing when 23 years of age. His wife, Rebecca Marshall Chowins, survives him. Several Omaha friends and many of the University people were at the funeral in Lincoln. Mr. Chowins was a social member of Omaha Division, No. 23, N. F. S. D.

One wonders at the many improvements made at the Iowa School. The latest addition is a new Landis Stitcher 'Number 12,' Model "G," in the shoe repairing shop. It is excellent in appearance with green enameled surface, and all nickel parts have high lustre, chromium finish. The motor from the old harness repairing machine was placed in the new machine. The whole thing weighs 800 pounds, occupies three square feet of space and cost \$650. Frances Jacobson, the instructor in the shoe shop, is proud of the new machine. The boys will practice on the 18-year-old Landis Stitcher before they use the new one.

Omaha is in a merry mood because of the Ak-Sar-Ben horse races from May 28 to July 4, inclusive. The famous den show opened Monday night, June 6th, and will be repeated each Monday through June and July. Large delegations arrive from various Nebraska towns on different nights, also southwestern and southeastern Iowa. Many of the visitors are put through the rituals and out of this the members and others get a lot of "kick." Many will recall the old den show during the 1915 Frat convention here. The name of the den show this year is "The White Spot," a name which has already made Nebraska famous from coast to coast.

Mr. and Mrs. John Zagurski entertained several friends at their home in May, in honor of the birthday of Albert L. Johnson. Games were enjoyed and refreshments served.

Mr. and Mrs. George L. Revers and Miss Viola Gleeson entertained over a dozen friends at an informal party at Miss Gleeson's home on Friday evening, May 27th. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lee of Chicago, who were visiting Mr. Lee's relatives in Lincoln. The Lees were married just before the Chicago N. A. D. convention and Mrs. Lee, an oralist, is a charming woman. They have since left for their home in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. James R. Jelinek entertained a dozen children at a party on May 28th, in honor of their daughter, Mary Aileen, who was seven years old. Her parents have purchased a new Leonard refrigerator and a gas stove.

Fifteen young people graduated at the Iowa School on Friday morning, June 3d. The platform was beautifully decorated with flowers and plants. The last issue of the *Hawkeye* had the photographs of the graduates, all nice looking youngsters, we'll say. Incidentally, the subject-matter in the *Hawkeye*, written by the students, is ample proof that they have intelligence and ambitions to match their looks.

HAL AND MEL.

June 10, 1938

## Portland, Oregon

Memorial Day, coming on Monday, gave us two days off from work. The laziest took a real rest and slept most of the hours away; the energetic ones mowed lawns and weeded their gardens; and a few fortunate ones, including the Lynchs, Greenwalds, and Petersons, motored up to Seattle to the big Puget Sound picnic. The prediction of rain proved false for the first time in several years, so the holiday was enjoyed by all.

Ernest Crawford was invited to a birthday party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Eden in honor of William Cooke. Mr. Cooke was invited to the same party in honor of Mr. Crawford's birthday. Upon arriving, they found they were both guests of honor, so received their numerous presents gratefully. To climax the evening, Mrs. R. M. Hazel's son donated two gallons of ice-cream. After the adult guests received their share, the children present indulged themselves until even the mention of "ice-cream" made them groan.

Alfred Lowe is one of those model husbands who always remembers anniversaries. On May 29th, the sixth anniversary of his marriage, he presented his wife, Rose, with a new electric refrigerator. Their little daughter, Marjorie Ann, will now be able to have fresh milk and crisp vegetables during these hot summer days.

Friends of Mrs. Cora Walther will be sorry to hear that instead of coming to Portland as she intended after a visit to Bremerton, Wash., Mrs. Walther accepted the invitation of her son-in-law, Jack Williams, to motor directly back to Montana with him and her grandson.

Mrs. Elva Webb of Pendleton, Oregon, visited Portland friends for a week in May. While here she was the house guest of Mrs. Charles Lynch, Mrs. Edwin Johnson, and Mrs. L. H. Carlson. Several parties were given in her honor, and many old and new friends were met at the social given by the Hope Lutheran Church members.

While her mother is vacationing in San Francisco, Miss Frances Poi is spending her spare time repainting the front and back porches of their home, curtaining some of the rooms, and having a new sidewalk put in the backyard. Miss Poi is doing this as a surprise for her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Lee have rented their home in Northeast Portland and have moved to a small farm near the city, where they expect to raise chickens and vegetables. Mr. Lee, an experienced auto painter, will continue working at his trade in Portland.

The N. F. S. D.'s Division, No. 41, had a successful smoker after their May business meeting. After a brief rite behind closed doors, the ladies of the Auxiliary were invited in to partake of the refreshments. The Division plans to celebrate their 25th anniversary on June 11th with a large banquet, open to the public.

Unable to obtain his old place back in the lumber company where he has worked for several years, due to the mills running only part time, George Kredit is working as a landscape gardener this summer, taking care of lawns and gardens near his home.

A Great Dane puppy walked into the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Cooke the day before Memorial Day and refused to leave, so has been adopted by the family. Run over by an auto three days after being adopted, Tippy still limps about on three legs and insists upon being treated as an invalid, making the Cookes his devoted servants. Nothing is said about a dog possessing nine lives, but it is to be hoped that Tippy will live to an old age without further accidents. This item is written because the Cookes said they would not have a dog mousing up their new home. How human nature changes!

G. C. C.

## MINNESOTA

News items for this column, and subscriptions, should be sent to Wesley Lauritsen, School for the Deaf, Faribault, Minnesota.

### ALA CLUB MEETING

One of the best attended ALA—derived from Albert Lea and Austin—Club meetings was held at Minnesota Lake on Sunday, May 29th, more than seventy-five southern Minnesotans and a few Iowans attending. The group first met at the famous Frank Walser Turkey Farm, where the flock of more than 4,000 birds was inspected. Mr. Walser is a Minnesota School for the Deaf graduate and has been phenomenally successful as a turkey raiser. He has his own hatchery and showed the visitors thousands of eggs in the hatchery trays, showed them poult just breaking out of the shells and other poult from a day to two months old.

The meeting was held at Daneville Town Hall, a mile from the Walser farm. Nearly all members of the organization are graduates or former students of the Minnesota School. President Ray Perkins presided and Faribault's Peter N. Peterson was the main speaker. He gave a Memorial Day address, giving a complete history of the occasion. Wesley Lauritsen, also of Faribault, gave an extemporaneous speech, explaining the athletic program carried on at the school. All of the "old boys" present wished they were young again to take advantage of the many new opportunities offered athletes.

After the meeting, a kittenball game was played and then supper was served in the hall under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Walser.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Rex Dubey and family, Mr. and Mrs. William Hillmer and family, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Peterson and family, all of Albert Lea; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Brant of Mason City, Iowa; Mr. and Mrs. K. Schimmle of Malpeton, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stauffer and Miss Sylvia Hansen of Winnebago, Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn Dubey and family, Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Dubey and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mansfield, Miss Evelyn King, Mrs. Fred Schori, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Thompson and son, Richard, the Peter Petersons and the Wesley Lauritsen family, all of Faribault.

### TRACK AND FIELD

Saturday, May 28th, was the day of days for the track protégés of Chester Dobson. After a highly successful season the tracksters who had won first or second places in the regional meet a week previously entered the state meet at the Memorial Stadium in Minneapolis. Here the cream of the trackmen in 475 high schools in Minnesota competed for honors. Entered were Clayton Nelson and William Menke in the 100 and 220-yard dashes and the relay team composed of Nelson, Menke, Shaw and Armon. Nelson and Menke took first and second places respectively in the dashes of the preliminaries held during the forenoon. In the afternoon the winners of the forenoon heats ran in the finals. Nelson won second and third places, respectively, in the 100 and 220-yard dashes, and the relay team took fifth place. Nelson brought home a silver and a bronze medal to add to his collection of trophies.

### BEST THINGS IN LIFE

Superintendent L. M. Elstad was the commencement speaker at the Minnesota School for the Blind on May 26th. Taking for his subject "The Best Things in Life," Mr. Elstad gave the graduates a code by which to live after graduation.

The best law, he said, was not formed in the legislature, but is the Golden Rule, which if followed would mean no need for other laws. The best education he stressed as knowing oneself.

The best war, said Mr. Elstad, is the war against "our own weaknesses, temper, moodiness, inferiority complex, which means too much ego and thought of self."

He mentioned cheerfulness, temperance, and tolerance as the best medicine and the best music and art, the laugh and smile of the child. In this latter connection he urged the graduates to stay with young people.

### Columbia University Summer Course for Teachers

The most extensive program for the training of teachers for the education of the handicapped that has ever been presented by one institution will be conducted at Teachers College, Columbia University, during the summer session that starts July 6th. Specialists in the education of the mentally handicapped, the deaf, the hard-of-hearing, blind, partially sighted, crippled and motor handicapped and experts in the field of juvenile delinquency will demonstrate the technique of their respective fields. Teachers College Demonstration School and certain hospitals, institutions and other centers off the campus will be used for practice teaching. Theory will be given in regular lecture courses.

Growing emphasis on the improvement of the education, guidance, rehabilitation and placement of physically, mentally and socially handicapped children and adults is making special demands on professional schools of education for qualified leadership in this field, according to Dr. M. E. Frampton, general adviser, and Dr. Hugh Rowell, associate adviser, of the Department of Education of the Handicapped. Hence the ambitious program at Teachers College.

Courses will range from nursery school and elementary through the senior high school level. A new one to show methods of teaching the mentally handicapped in the junior high school will be taught by Miss Martha McK. Cook of Speyer School, who will conduct a project in photography in connection with it to develop technical skill, social responsibility and to create a hobby for after-school enjoyment. Sight-saving classes for junior high schools will be taught by Mrs. Rose Krippner, Cicero, Ill.

Another group will work with Dr. T. W. Hopkins, assistant superintendent of schools, Jersey City, in studying the prevention and treatment of juvenile delinquency in that city.

Classes for crippled children will use the World's Fair as a subject of investigation, going to and fro and through the grounds in special busses.

Other courses for the handicapped to be given include: The psychology of the physically handicapped child, Dr. Rudolph Pintner and Dr. Mildred Stanton, Teachers College; The psychology of the subnormal child, Dr. Leta S. Hollingworth, Teachers College; Dr. Ethel J. Dorgan, Teachers College; Advanced Course in the Education of the Deaf, Clarence O'Connor, director of the Lexington School for the Deaf, New York, and Professor Irving Fusfeld, Gallaudet College; Advanced Course in Method for the Deaf, Miss Jennie M. Henderson, principal Horace Mann School for the Deaf, Roxbury, Mass., and Miss Clara E. Newlee, Parker Elementary School, Chicago; Sight-Saving Classes, Miss Louise Rush, Toronto, Canada; Survey of Ear Conditions, Dr. E. P. Fowler, Jr., Assistant Surgeon, Manhattan Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital, New York; Survey of Orthopedic conditions, Dr. P. D. Wilson, Hospital for the Crippled and Ruptured; Problems of the Blind, Dr. Clarence R. Athearn, New York Institute for the Blind; Methods of teaching crippled children, Dr. Roswell, Miss Romaine Prior, Columbus, Ohio, and Dr. Winthrop M. Phelps, Babbitt Hospital, Vineland, N. J.; Teaching the mentally handicapped, Dr. Florence S. Dunlop, public

schools, Ottawa, Canada; Teaching lip reading, Miss Estelle E. Samuelson, New York League for the Hard of Hearing; The activity program for mentally handicapped children, Miss Lela E. Proffer, John Lewis Childs School, Floral Park, N. Y., and Miss Sarah E. Fisk, New York City Public Schools.

### Springfield, Mass.

Amid a large gathering, the local Frats held a very successful dance, attended by approximately 300 deaf folks from New England and surrounding states.

Asa Gatlin, Jr., chairman of the ball which this year was entitled "New England Ball," deserves a lot of praise for the way he arranged everything.

Ernest Sargeant led the grand march and at its termination four lucky ticket holders were awarded prizes. They were Mr. and Mrs. John Moran of Bloomfield, Conn., Mrs. Rock of West Suffield, Conn., and Howard Backus of Waterbury, Conn.

The layout of the floor was something unusual. To prevent the "talkers" from interfering with the dancers, the dancing space was roped off. It would do many other organizations contemplating having big dances to imitate this layout.

Door prize winners were Mrs. Amilda Rivers of Ludlow, George Zadra of New York City, Clarence White of Hartford, Conn., Jean Gold of Hartford, and Wilfred Gunther of Westfield.

On the day following the dance, an outing was held at Balch Beach, Southwick, for the entertainment of those remaining in Springfield for the week-end. Every one of the estimated 150 were loud in their praises for the way it was managed and all declared they had a good time. One of the features of the afternoon was a tug-of-war between the married men and the single men, the latter coming out the winners.

Two softball games were other features, Hartford defeating Boston, 21 to 20, and a team representing Massachusetts defeated a New York team, 13 to 3. Good sportsmanship was prevalent throughout both games.

Assorted athletic contests were: Sack race and 50-yard dash for men, won by Eddie Lepin of Boston; shoe-kicking by George Clapp of Framingham and Mary Maulucci of Hartford; couple leg race by Eddie Lepin and Katherine Schwab of Montreal, Can.; 25-yard dash for women by Mary Maulucci.

The outing was in charge of Arthur Gunther, Russell Cosby, Alex Brown and Willard Patterson.

Among the out-of-towners spending the week-end with Springfielders were the Romeros of New York City, with Mr. and Mrs. Willard Woods; Max Friedman of Hartford, with Mr. and Mrs. Max Thompson; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Proulet of Lowell, with Mr. and Mrs. Alex Brown; Mrs. Grace Plourd of New York City, with Mr. and Mrs. Joe O'Connell; Mr. and Mrs. John Moran with Mr. and Mrs. John Haggerty.

Mrs. Asa Gatlin was the recipient of a silver loving cup awarded her at a best-appearance contest at a dance sponsored by the Boston Silent Club at Manger Hotel on May 21st.

William Osmola journeyed in his Plymouth to West Trenton, N. J., on Memorial Day to attend an alumni reunion at New Jersey School for the Deaf and greeted his old schoolmates and teachers.

We hear with surprise that Rev. J. Stanley Light of Dorchester, who often preaches to the deaf of Springfield, was joined in wedlock to Mrs. R. O. Blair of Chicago.

Joe O'Connell of West Springfield, is back at work after recovering from an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Enger of Holyoke, spent the week-end and holiday in Providence, R. I.

Axel Orberg recently motored to the City of Brotherly Love, where he jollied around with his former pals.

Robert Floyd went to Virginia and reported the South is just grand.

A party, attended by 21, was given in honor of Miss Annie Swan of Knoxville, Tenn., who is spending the summer with Mr. and Mrs. Willard Woods.

An outing is planned soon by the women's Hobnob Club, to be held at Mt. Tom, where games and out-door cooking will be enjoyed. Husbands and boy friends of the members will be invited.

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## BIENNIAL CONVENTION

### Empire State Association of the Deaf

Albany, N. Y., July 29 - 31, 1938

Headquarters -- HOTEL TEN EYCK

#### Program

Thursday, July 28.—Registration. Tour of Albany. Reception in evening at Ten Eyck Hotel.

Friday, July 29.—Convention meets at 10 A.M. Business sessions in afternoon. Entertainment in evening.

Saturday, July 30.—Morning Business Session. Group photo on Capitol steps. Banquet at Ten Eyck Hotel in evening.

Sunday, July 31.—Morning church services for all denominations. Bus trip through Saratoga and other famous places, to Field Day Park for picnicking and games rest of the day.

Banquet \$2.00 a plate, limited to 300. Send reservation and remittance to William M. Lange, Jr., Secretary, 57 Dove Street, Albany, N. Y.

## Canadian News

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### HAMILTON

Mrs. Carl Harris has been confined to bed for nearly a week with a very severe attack of neuritis, but is now somewhat better, and hopes to be sufficiently recovered to go to Belleville to attend the O. A. D. Convention on the 18th.

Mr. and Mrs. John Fisher and the latter's son and his wife, were in Hamilton recently, to attend Mrs. Fretz's funeral. Mr. Fisher, Junior, is Mrs. Fretz's only grandchild. There was a large attendance at the funeral service here and also at the cemetery. The pall bearers were hearing men, members of the church which Mrs. Fretz attended as long as her health permitted.

Mr. J. T. Shilton and his committee have now completed arrangements for the O. A. D. Convention and everyone may be assured of having a real good time. Some interesting subjects are up for discussion, and a fine program of sports has been arranged.

There will be a regular exodus of the deaf from Hamilton the 18th. Every one who can possibly get away will be en route for Belleville on that day. Though, so far as can be learned, the airplanes, which Mr. Shilton suggested as one means of transportation, have not yet been chartered by any one!

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. David Peikoff on the birth of a daughter on May 25th.

We extend sincere sympathy to Mrs. T. S. Williams, Kitchener, whose sister died recently in Montreal, Quebec.

### TORONTO

Miss Beulah Wilson is back in our midst after one month residence in Montreal in the employ of her Toronto landlady, who also owns a home in Canada's largest metropolitan city. Being a hospitable and considerate employer, Miss Wilson found joy in her work, which came to an end all too soon in Beulah's estimation. Just the same she enjoyed her brief sojourn away from Toronto.

Mrs. Slater, the hearing wife of Mr. Slater, a Belleville school graduate, died in King, Ont., last week. She had been in failing health for several weeks and death brought relief to her of various pains. Mrs. Slater is a step-mother of Mrs. Peterkin.

Adherents and friends of the Toronto Evangelical Church of the Deaf chose Reservoir Park as the setting for their annual picnic on Victoria Day. Not even inclement weather could scare away a goodly turnout of outdoors fiends, who disported themselves to their hearts' content at the first picnic of the year.

On the following Saturday the popularity of Reservoir Park was attested to by another large attendance of picnickers who gathered in honor of a unique shower given to Miss Dorothy Oulette. The committee in charge of arrangements left no stone unturned to make the affair long to be remembered. The happy event was climaxed with presentation to Dorothy of a set of breakfast dishes and woolen blankets. Wedding bells will ring on June 25th.

Our sympathy goes to Mr. R. J. Dallaire of Ottawa, in his bereavement in the recent death of his mother. Mr. Dallaire has steady employment at Chateau Laurier, swank hotel of Canada's national capital.

The household of Mr. and Mrs. David Peikoff was brightened on May 25th, by arrival of a baby girl, since then christened Joyce Mendelle. This is the second addition to the family and Myrna Lou spends most of her time in the nursery now watching and fussing over her new sister.

Death laid its heavy hand upon Mr. Edward Pickard on May 27th. He was seized with a heart attack in his bathroom and expired immediately.

A month ago Mr. Pickard sustained injuries in a fall and was lame for a long while. Funeral services were in charge of Toronto local of the International Typographical Union in which the deceased held a life-long membership.

Pall bearers, besides members of the union, included Messrs. McPherson, Anival Shepherd, Sr., McKay, Brethour and Warnier. Interment took place at Mount Pleasant Cemetery. The late Mr. Pickard is survived by a daughter.

Victim of an attack of sinus, Mrs. MacGowan, wife of our minister, was obliged to undergo a serious operation which kept her in bed for over a month. At times she faced a crisis but her strength rose to each occasion. Now that the danger level has passed Mrs. MacGowan is resting easily preparatory to evacuation to Grimsby Beach, where she plans to pass all of the summer in complete quietude. Her countless friends are pulling for the restoration of her former robust health.

Guess who came to town for the week-end of May 29th? Give up? Well, it is none other than Mr. Leo Coughlin, our familiar visitor, who has not set his foot here for years. He hastened here from Buffalo to attend the funeral of his mother-in-law, whose death occurred following six years of ill health. Mr. Coughlin lost no time in holding tete-a-tete with his legion of friends before returning across the border.

Mrs. Edward Barr of Sandwith, Sask., arrived in Toronto on Victoria Day and within two hours was spirited away in the car of her former schoolmate toward a farm near Listowel offered for sale. She spent the whole day in going over the premises in behalf of her husband, who authorized her to make any decision whichever she thought best. The next fortnight she visited farms at Brampton, Woodbridge, Tullamore, Richmond Hill, Markham, Stouffville, Myrtle, Cobourg, Grafton, Colborne and a few others. She expects to make a selection to which her family would move from the drought-stricken area in Saskatchewan. Her husband had been a successful farmer for over twenty-five years, acquiring over 700 acres, until eight successive years of drought knocked them down flat. Now they are seeking greener pastures to start their lives anew. The Barrs have a family of five growing youngsters, who will be a decided asset to them in their new environment.

There is a new epidemic rampaging through the deaf colony of Toronto. Happily it has nothing to do with menace to health. The new disease is called Wallpaperitis. First victim was Mrs. Francis Doyle, who got into a mood to redecorate the interior of her house. No sooner had she gratified her renovating instinct than Mrs. Frank Harris followed suit. The Harrises are still at it in brightening their home. The itch to redecorate is spreading to other households too numerous to mention here.

Only two more weeks to go before the Ontario Association of the Deaf meets in convention at the Belleville School. Be sure to come to this important convention where a good program of business sessions and entertainment await you.

### WATERLOO

Messrs. T. S. William, A. Martin, G. Meyer and Mr. and Mrs. Luis Patterson motored to Owen Sound recently, on business, and attended Mr. Shilton's service there on May 15th. While there they took the opportunity to call on several deaf friends, and were sorry to find that Mrs. Carson, who has been bed-ridden for many years, is now only able to move one hand.

We sincerely sympathize with Mrs. T. S. Williams, whose sister passed away in Montreal, recently. Mrs. Williams went to Montreal to attend the funeral and remained there for one week.

Mr. Allen Nahrgang and his two sons went to Hayesville on May 15th, to visit Mrs. M. Nahrgang, and found the Misses Hughes of Woodstock, and Mr. H. Wagester of Stratford, there.

Mr. David Peikoff and a party of friends, Mrs. Barr, Mrs. Harris and Mrs. Doyle, stopped here on Victoria Day on their way back to Toronto, after visiting friends in Clinton and Stratford.

A. M. ADAM

### Frederick, Md.

With the departure of the children this morning for their summer vacation, the 70th session of the Maryland State School for the Deaf came to a close. Yesterday evening a meeting of the pupils, teachers and officers in the auditorium was addressed by Superintendent Bjorlee, who took the Golden Rule for his subject. Then followed the annual lawn social.

The semi-annual meeting of the School Board of Visitors was held Thursday morning, May 26. At 2 p.m. sharp, with the auditorium filled to capacity, Dr. Bjorlee opened the program of exercises marking Commencement. The graduation class consisted of Doris Faupel, Dorothy Dorsett, Estella Gillispie, Louise Sanner, Marjorie Willey, Ruby Dilley, Pauline Bloodsworth, George Singer, Herbert Frey, Edward Bodensteiner, Kenneth Brown, Daniel Kalinowski, and William Jones. The last named took the Gallaudet College entrance examinations on May 12th and 13th.

Due to a steady all-day rain that soaked the campus, the exhibition of military tactics and rifle drill was held in the gymnasium. The individual competitive drill medal was won by little Roger Myers. Charles Knowles received the Superintendent's gold medal for the best drill officer.

The number of deaf visitors was small, due to the bad weather and the approaching Reunion. Those present were Rev. D. E. Moylan, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kemp, Mrs. Robert Quinn, Mrs. Joseph Tucker, Misses Helen Hook, Mildred Dick, Messrs. John Fowble, Roland Murray, Armstrong Elliott, Jacob Hahn, Fred Hill, Richmond Kieffer, Marian and Alan Cramer.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Quinn took a motor trip recently, on a lovely Sunday, to South Mountain, Penna., where they made a call on their old schoolmate, Mr. George King, an inmate of the State Sanitorium. This trip was enjoyed by Mr. and Mrs. George Faupel, Doris and George, Jr., who were asked to go along.

Monthly Methodist Church services for the deaf of the city were conducted on the 15th of May by Rev. D. E. Moylan.

Mr. J. B. Salvado, South American educator of the deaf, from Brazil, paid his second visit to the Maryland School on May 23d, his first one being in 1911. Accompanying him was Rev. Franklin Smielau. Old friends of the minister were delighted to see him, though his visit was all too brief. He was looking fine.

Mrs. A. Blondheim of Washington, D. C., whose father, Mr. Jas. Amoss, was an alumnus of this school, was an interested visitor on May 26th. She stated that the Commencement Exercises were much better than those she had witnessed at public schools. We appreciate the compliment.

We had the pleasure of seeing the Alumni Association President, Mr. Henry O. Nicol, on May 19th. This was his fourth trip to Frederick since New Year's Day, in the interest of the Reunion.

Strictly speaking Miss Doris Faupel has not much talent for drawing and so to everybody's surprise she came out on top of the entries in the dental health poster contest sponsored by the Frederick County Dental Society this spring. There were 539 entries from local and county school children. Miss Faupel's poster, which was one of eighteen submitted by the Maryland School in the High School class,

brought her a check for \$20.00. Along with the winning posters from other counties in the state hers will be entered in the state contest. She won because of originality of design, neatness and general appearance, distant the message is visible, and dental health message.

"Dreams of Conquest," a vastly improved play over that shown by the Baltimore Division Fraters at the Maryland School on April 23d, entertained a large crowd of deaf of Baltimore and vicinity Saturday evening, May 21st, at Gehb Hall. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Quinn, who missed the first showing by reason of a trip they took to York, Pa., sure enough motored to Baltimore for the event. Miss Louise McClain and Mr. George Faupel accompanied the couple.

Miss Myrtle Erbe, Miss Edna Hall, Mr. Norris Lowe, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kermit Keyser, Mr. and Mrs. William McDermott, honeymooners, were recent visitors, not coming on Commencement Day.

Superintendent and Mrs. Bjorlee entertained the graduating class with a dinner in their apartment on May 19th. Among the invited guests were Mr. H. O. Nicol and Mr. and Mrs. Faupel, whose daughter, Doris Faupel, is a member of the 1938 class.

Mr. William McCanless spent the week-end of May 13-15 in town as the guest of the McVernons. His visit was dated to take in the big show put on by Troops No. 8, 16, 24 of Boy Scouts of the School at the gymnasium under auspices of the Ely Literary Society.

Miss Louise McClain indulged in her pet hobby, *i.e.* attending the monthly meeting of the F.F.F.S., when on May 6th she was one of the ladies gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pfeiler.

But for a lone run in the second inning, Mr. Leonard Downes would have shut out the Bolling Field Air Corps nine in the game played on Sunday, May 22d. He pitched the Hustlers to a 9-1 victory.

Two Sundays previously Mr. Downes participated in the double-header with the Seven-Up team from Washington. In the opener he pitched and won a 19-8 decision. In the nightcap he made a good account of himself, not as pitcher, but first as a right fielder, then as catcher. This game the Hustlers also won.

The Wrestling League of the School, Dan Kalinowski, coach and sponsor, came to an end with the matches on May 16. The Singer team, with a record of 23 points ahead of the nearest competing team, was awarded the wrestling trophy. Samuel Tippett was given the outstanding wrestler medal. Roger Myers was the outstanding product of the tournament, with seven victories and no defeats. If possible, next year plans will be set afoot whereby wrestling matches may be booked with grapplers from other schools for the deaf.

The Maryland School was represented in the interscholastic track meet held at the University of Maryland on May 7, by George Singer. In a field of eighteen, he finished sixth in the mile race.

The school's ball nine played only three games this season. The first game on April 30, with the Davis Hemphill Club Juniors, on Bjorlee Field, resulted in a victory for the latter by one run. Early in the game it looked like a sure win for the Silentees, who were leading. A bad seventh inning gave the opponents the advantage.

Lacking an effective pitcher, the M.S.D. team met with crushing defeats at the hands of seasoned and more experienced teams representing High Schools of Middletown and Smithsburg on May 6 (abroad), and May 23rd (at home).

The various committees working at the school are getting ready for the Reunion, June 10-12. A peak attendance of 500 is expected on Sunday.

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June 1st.

**Los Angeles, Cal.**

A new society, The Motor Association of the Deaf of Southern California, has been organized. A preliminary meeting was held on April 22d, at which R. P. Andley was elected chairman and Einar Rosenkjar, secretary. A committee was appointed to prepare a Constitution and By-Laws. The object of the club is to promote the interests of the deaf auto drivers of the state; to encourage careful and safe driving; to educate the public regarding the ability of the deaf as drivers; and to protect the deaf from adverse and unfair legislation in regard to the operation of motor vehicles. The second meeting was held the evening of May 25th, at the Cosmopolitan Club, with Chairman Handley presiding. Secretary Rosenkjar read the minutes of the previous meeting, and then Chairman Butterbaugh explained the By-Laws. After a few amendments these were all passed. The registration committee then received the applications and dues of 172 members! A grand start! The election of officers was now in order and resulted as follows: President, James Turner; Vice-President, Morris Fahr; Secretary, Einar Rosenkjar; Treasurer, Alvin Dyson. These, with the chairman of the standing committees to be appointed by the President, will compose the Board of Directors. There will be three regular meetings each year and special meetings may be called when necessary. The next meeting will be on June 17th at the same place.

The Hebrew Society of the Deaf had a Strawberry Festival at the Cosmopolitan Club the night of May 6th. Bridge and bunco were played. At the former cash prizes were won by Mesdames Keene and Ganner; at the latter by Mrs. C. Hammond. The strawberry season being at its height, nice refreshments were served, consisting of strawberry shortcake and whipped cream and coffee. Sounds and tastes good!

Mrs. Dorothy McCaleb, of Fort Worth, Texas, is visiting Mrs. Alice Kane. Some other recent visitors are Mrs. Verna Kauffman, from Wichita, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. George Brantham, from Texas; and William Lally, of Dickinson, N. Dak., formerly of Minneapolis, Minn. Mr. and Mrs. W. Maxson returned recently from a trip to Chicago in their car. Mrs. Aggie Gott came with them for a visit with her brother, Philip Reilly.

Miss Adelaide Doane, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Doane, was recently appointed a stewardess on a plane whose route is between Los Angeles and Salt Lake City, Utah. Miss Doane is a registered nurse, which is one of the qualifications required of all stewardesses. We wonder if there is any other daughter of deaf parents in such a position?

Mrs. Anna Cordero had a unique idea for a party for the afternoon of May 1st. She invited those who were at the Iowa School for the Deaf with her, that is, those who are in Los Angeles, and sixteen were present. She had arranged a game, the letters of twenty Iowa counties jumbled up. The game was to put them in their proper order. Many names of Iowa counties are of Indian origin. The first prize at this game was won by Mrs. Barrett, the second by Z. B. Thompson. Each was asked to relate the funniest incident of his or her school days. The guests kept tally on these to determine the best story. The ladies' prize went to Mrs. Carrie Slight, and the men's to Mr. Thompson, which we will now relate: One day in winter there was a snowstorm and late in the afternoon the boys were playing in the snow. Supt. Talbot was watching from his office and thought the play was too rough and came out to scold them. He was a short man and among the boys, about his size, he was not recognized in the snow and dusk, and he was seized and plunged into the snow. Someone rubbed his face with snow, then to his

horror discovered who it was! Abject apologies followed and Supt. Talbot proved a good sport and accepted them.

Mrs. Cordero then served nice refreshments, sandwiches, pickles, olives, celery, cookies and coffee. There are about 70 deaf ex-Iowans in Los Angeles, the largest colony of deaf from any one state.

Another pleasant gathering was at luncheon on May 21st at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Slight, who entertained the officers of the Iowa-Nebraska Association. Plans were discussed for one or two more social affairs this year.

Some big affairs for the near future at the Cosmopolitan Club are the card party on June 11th, the Mid-Summer Dance on the 18th, with floor show, "A Night in Spain," the Dance of Los Angeles Division No. 27, N. F. S. D., on June 25th. Next is the convention of the California Association of the Deaf at San Diego on July 1, 2, 3, and 4, inclusive, 1938.

AUGUSTA K. BARRETT.

**Superintendent D. Hardy Riddle Loses—And Wins**

Considerable comment was evoked in the silent press by the candidacy of D. Hardy Riddle, superintendent of the Alabama Institute for Deaf and Blind, for Governor of the state of Alabama, which was announced in the *Alabama Messenger* two months ago. It was the first instance of a superintendent of a state school running for the highest office of the state, and the school papers that commented on the event evidenced the same eagerness for his success as did the Alabama school.

Mr. Riddle had been through several political campaigns and he knew that the latest in which he was persuaded to engage as a candidate would be a most strenuous one. Not only had he four able opponents in the race, but one of them whose home is in the metropolis of the state had made a good showing as a candidate for the office of governor in the campaign just before this year's. Nevertheless our candidate raised and bore with a spirit that knows no defeat, the banner under which rallied a large number of the best people of the state. And so formidable an opponent did he prove to be that he became the marked man of the campaign—the one the other leading candidates aimed to beat. In view of this there is nothing to lament in his having fought what in a political sense proved to be a losing battle.

The strongest appeal in Mr. Riddle's candidacy was his record as a legislator and as administrator of the Alabama Institute for the Deaf and Blind. As State Senator from Talladega, he was responsible for the enactment of a number of pieces of legislation that were sorely needed by the state schools. Notable among these legislative acts are the compulsory attendance law and the changing of the classification of our schools by which they obtain their appropriations promptly and regularly. Besides this Mr. Riddle has been instrumental in obtaining funds for a continued building and improvement program such as the schools have never had before.

Aside from his fine record as a school executive, Mr. Riddle has proved a real friend of the Alabama deaf—a friend, the like of whom they have never before had in political office. As a legislator he has looked after their rights in the matter of tax exemptions and in regard to auto licenses.

According to the returns of the recent election in Alabama, Mr. Riddle was a loser, but considering what he campaigned for and how, he came out a winner, for the cause he championed was thereby advanced and will ultimately triumph.

J. H. McFARLANE.

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**Connecticut**

News items for this column and subscriptions, should be sent to Gordon W. Clarke, American School for the Deaf, West Hartford, Connecticut.

The many friends of the Reverend J. Stanley Light were taken by surprise when news from Chicago reached them that he had renounced his bachelorhood and hitched himself to lovely Mrs. Robert Blair, a widow. The couple were married in Chicago by Bishop Stewart on Wednesday, June 1st. The writer met Mrs. Light at home of the Frederick Neesams at Delavan, Wisconsin, a few years ago and assures you that Mrs. Light will find a warm spot in our hearts. We congratulate Rev. Light, and welcome Mrs. Light among our fold. We hope we will be granted the privilege of meeting the bride real soon.

Services were held on the school campus, by the Laurent Clerc statue, Sunday, June 5th, Rev. Light officiating. Soon after the services several members of the congregation were invited to the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. Fish, parents of Mrs. Gordon W. Clarke, where the little son of the Clarkes, Gordon, Junior, was baptized by Rev. Light. After the ceremony light refreshments were served.

May 30th was a big day at the American School. Gatherings from Massachusetts and New York attended the outing. Baseball was indulged in by the men, while the women exchanged gossip. Some of the out-of-state visitors were: Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Brunsell of Springfield; Mr. and Mrs. Romero and Mr. Santin of New York City. In the evening Mr. Santin delivered a very interesting talk in the school chapel about his trip to Italy, Switzerland, and other countries. Moving pictures of the trip were shown.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. William Newell will be interested to know that they have moved recently from Franklin Avenue, Hartford, to 133 South Quaker Lane, West Hartford.

Mr. Frank Durian and his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Walter Durian, went to New York City Saturday, to attend a farewell dinner under the auspices of the Fanwood Alumni Association, to be held at the New York School for the Deaf, Sunday evening, June 5th.

Commencement exercises will be held at the American School, Monday evening, June 13th, at eight-thirty o'clock, in the school auditorium. Twelve boys and girls will graduate from the school and attend another school—a school of experience. We wish them luck. An address will be given by Chief Justice William M. Maltbie. After the exercises there will be an industrial exhibition. Come early if you wish to get a seat!

Miss Rhoda Clark, who will be a senior next year, returned home Sunday from Gallaudet College to spend the summer months with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Clark. Rhoda was elected president of the OWLS, a society which is partly secret and partly literary and dramatic in character. This is an honor and we are proud that a Connecticut girl was chosen to control the destinies of the organization.

Mr. Max Friedman, instructor in

physical education at the American School, was honored recently by the members of the Boys' and Girls' Athletic Association, which gave him a surprise party.

As a token of appreciation for his services to the school he was presented a traveling bag. Mr. Friedman goes to the New York School, a new plant near White Plains, New York, as Headmaster of Boys and teacher of General Science. This is an advancement for Mr. Friedman and we congratulate him and wish him every success!

Superintendent and Mrs. E. B. Boatner will entertain the members of the school to an El Fresco supper in the superintendent's beautiful home, Wednesday evening, June 8th.

Quite a large number of the deaf Hartfordites attended a ball at the

Hotel Kimball in Springfield, Massachusetts, last May 28th. Some of those who attended were: Mr. and Mrs. Walter Durian and family, Frank Durian, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Luther, Mr. Fancher and Mr. Mott. Waterbury and New York City were well represented.

**Portland, Maine**

By H. V. Jarvis

Portland, Maine Division, No. 39, N. F. S. D., celebrated its 25th anniversary on April 30th, 1938, with a banquet at Hotel Falmouth. The most inspiring part of the banquet program were the charter members who were present as No. 39's guests of honor, as they sat at the head table so all the visitors could gaze at them. Honor to them and their names shall be printed as they will inspire the coming young men to join hands with them forever. Brothers Coleman C. Casey, Lewis V. Collins, George W. Coburn, Adolph Fisher, Harold E. Libby, Thos. Prinn, Chester Woodward, Philip Morin, Albert L. Carlisle, now of Lowell (Mass.) Division No. 78, and George E. Fister, now of Reading (Penn.) Division, No. 54, and also a charter member of No. 54, too; two—John Fred Flynn and Edwin C. Randall—have passed on.

Mrs. Lulu Flynn of Bangor, Me., wife of the late John F. Flynn, was our guest of honor in respect of him who was No. 39's first delegate at Omaha, Nebraska, in 1915, and who formed Bangor Division, No. 71. He was Maine's greatest deaf citizen, being well known throughout Maine as an athlete. He was Maine's 100-yard professional champion for several years, also a great baseball player. He was a delegate to Atlanta, Ga., in 1921, and Denver, Col., in 1927. Many delegates will remember him as a hustler and a wise-cracker. The late Grand President Gibson and he were great pals, and Gibson called on him no matter how far he lived at Bangor, Maine, to pay his respects.

Brother Jarvis was toastmaster, and there were twenty-eight guests at the V shaped table. The opening ceremony started with an invocation by Bro. A. L. Carlisle, followed by President Fisher of 39, with a warm welcome to all and the dinner was on. A telegram from Springfield (Mass.) Division, No. 67, by President Thompson, and a letter from Philadelphia (Penn.) Division, No. 30, by Secretary Cusack, were read. We were surprised by these divisions remembrance of our celebration, as we live so far apart, but N. F. S. D. spirits are hovering over all of us.

Treasurer Leighton of our division, started the speech (sign) making with "Our Division," which was very interesting, and I will make note of a few remarks. The Division was formed in April 19, 1913, and the convention at Omaha, Neb., was in 1915, so we had to raise quite some money to pay our delegate's expenses, which was the largest and heaviest of any division at that time, but we made good. Later No. 39 granted two new divisions in Maine—Lewiston and Bangor. At present we have 32 active members and our fund is over \$700.

Bro. Hale of Bangor Division, No. 71, and president of Maine Mission, spoke on the mission which was founded in 1877 and has a fund of about \$12,000. It holds a convention every year—three days including Labor Day. The next is on September 3, 4, and 5, at Brunswick, Maine, home of Bowdoin College. Maine Mission has done much for the welfare of the deaf, as Maine legislators have passed several laws which they asked for, including the grant of pensions to old deaf people; jail for the imposters and beggars, both deaf and hearing, who rush to Maine during the summer to pick up easy money; no discriminations against the deaf as motorists, and

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**Anent Deafness**

By Thomas Francis Fox

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The early teachers who formed the pioneers in the profession of teaching the deaf knew that it was important to prepare the children to comprehend the things that were about them, to understand themselves as well as the happenings of the daily life about them, all of which called for mental development and the acquisition of language. Most of the male instructors were men of scholarly attainments; they were not tied down to any one method, but kept to the principle that language is a system of expressing ideas, and as a growth in every mind it becomes indissolubly associated with all mental operations; that in teaching it, it is necessary to first suggest the thought and then the expression. The child, in acquiring its vernacular, must see the object before it learns the name, must perform an action or see it performed before it understands the form of words by which this action is properly described. What knowledge of language it does obtain, however, comes when the given word closely follows the thought and is at once associated with it. It is for this reason that deaf children are so long in arriving at a familiar, or even a correct use, of the language of their country. They lack the sense of hearing, and are from birth shut out from natural speech by this want of hearing. The process of these early instructors consisted in giving the pupil a direction in writing, and then requiring him to perform it and to state in writing what he did, thus compelling him to take part in the action of which he wrote. Where any one method failed, they had recourse to combinations that were of productive results. Especially was it their effort to give their pupils some idea of God, that they should distinguish right from wrong, and choose to follow a virtuous life in preference to the vicious.

The teachings and influence of these earlier instructors did not end with the classroom exercises; they followed their pupils beyond the school life and worked for their welfare. The outcome of their devotion was, in many respects, marvelous, and would indicate that the work being done in the schools today is not so good as it once was. There is too much scattering experimenting, too much mere raking on the surface, no delving into the depths. The heights attained by many of the pupils of the early teachers were superior to what is commonly achieved today in most of the schools, judging from the attainments of deaf men and women that filled the rolls of the schools at Hartford, New York, Philadelphia, Kentucky and elsewhere. It would be well if there was a return to the close personal interest in the deaf manifested by the early teachers, who discovered so much of interest and instruction from mingling with and observing the adult deaf who are a part of the great world. In thus extending their field of observation to the home and social lives of those whom they had known and taught at school there is presented a glimpse of educational interest rarely witnessed at the present day. There might be a resumption of it to the advantage alike of the deaf and of the teachers in their schools. While the latter may give much time and thought to children in school, they overlook the great field of profitable information and instruction open to them in the lives and daily interests of former pupils who are hewing out their way to a livelihood. Surely their mode of life, their mode of communication with others, their social leanings, their employments, what they have learned from and how they meet the stern realities of existence, and their status as citizens — should offer to the conscientious teacher food for serious reflection. It

is the recognition of the fact that many heads of schools and their teachers do not know much of the adult deaf from practical experience and observation that impels the educated deaf to resent their assumption of the right to speak for the deaf authoritatively; notwithstanding their positions in the schools too many know little about deafness and the deaf, and what they may think they know is mostly from hearsay rather than from personal knowledge. On these points, the teachers of other days knew their ground and their subject; they valued the knowledge as important indicators of the success or failure that had attended their instruction.

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forced parents to send their children who are deaf to the day school or go to jail. He added that Bangor Frats always remembered No. 39's coming to their aid in their hour of trouble when the division's property was destroyed by fire, and he thanked No. 39 in public for that.

Bro. John D. Moran of Waterbury (Conn.) Division, No. 65, spoke on "What the Deaf Should Be." He gave a history of the first deaf school, the first sign-language, the first deaf teacher (Clerc), then he spoke about the Vocational training for deaf pupils at the schools, which is a very necessary and important item in their lives. He said that deaf education was ten years behind the time as compared with the past deaf, who were brilliant and successful in the business world. What is the cause? The pure oralism teaching is to blame. We realize now that the real deaf and hard-of-hearing pupils should be separated so each side will get along better. Thunderous applause greeted his speech.

Mr. Moran's speech was full of interesting and far flung ideas concerning the deaf and when State Senator Roy L. Fernald began his speech, he said that he had planned to say something, but he will leave that unsaid as Bro. Moran's talk had inspired him with some forceful points which he will take upon himself to present in the future to the Maine Legislature, for the welfare of the Maine deaf—loud applause. He said that he had visited the deaf school a day before and found that the place is old and inconvenient for many needs, and that he will see that Maine will have new buildings and better vocational training as outlined by Bro. Moran.

During the dance Senator Fernald, Mr. Moran and Mrs. Morrel, the interpreter, were together for half an hour. Senator Fernald was surprised to hear that Bro. Moran has worked in the Invoice department of American Hardware Corp. of New Britain, Conn., for twenty years.

Brother Fister, who was the first president of No. 39, spoke with gusto of his days with us when he was supervisor at the school, and said that he felt like Rip Van Winkle as everything was changed, but he was proud of his boys who had succeeded in the world.

Bro. Max Cohen, who was one of the St. Paul Frat Convention Committee, also as Vice-President of New England Gallaudet Association, spoke with witty humor which convulsed everybody. He and his wife are living in Concord, N. H., and work in the *Reader's Digest* printing office.

Bro. Elmer Fogg, member of Chicago Division, No. 1, spoke very earnestly about deaf problems. Both got a great hand when they finished.

City Manager (Mayor) James Barlow also addressed us and said that he was interested in our work and praised us for our good deeds. He said that he was surprised, after investigating, that there were no deaf of Portland on welfare or under W. P. A. relief. He wondered about that but was pleased to hear that the deaf go

on their own way until they drop. He said that he wants the deaf of Portland to come to him in person for help in their last efforts and that he will do all in his power for them, because they showed their fighting spirits and inspired him more than he ever expected to be as City Manager. His speech was greeted with cheers. The N. F. S. D. is one of many surprises to him concerning the deaf.

Miss Louise T. Young, Superintendent of the Maine School, spoke about our beloved, the late Miss Elizabeth Taylor, who was principal and a former teacher in Mt. Airy, also about Bro. Fister's people. She is one of the few ladies who are heads of deaf schools.

The floor show was fine. Six chorus girls and a magician held our attention. There were twelve acts. A five-piece band played continuously.

Mrs. John D. Moran of Bloomfield, Conn., rendered "Good Night, My Friends," in the sign language, and we felt sorry to depart after such a swell time. Dancing followed after Bro. Carlisle gave the Benediction.

We regretted that Bro. Rouse, former Grand Treasurer of the N.F.S.D., cancelled his coming, due to the grippe. He lives in Concord, New Hampshire.

Mrs. Ernest Morrell of Lewiston, Maine, was a fine interpreter, and pleased us all. Her husband was a delegate to the Kansas City convention in 1935. Much credit goes to the committee consisting of Messrs. Casey,

Chairman, Libby, Collins, Fisher and Leighton.

The joyous night coming to a close, we will look forward with new hope, new ambition and new ideals.

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